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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Reference

FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.
Director of Data Processing

SUBJECT : Draft of Proposal for a Centralized
Community Bibliographic and Document
Retrieval System Operated by CIA

1. Attached for your review and comment is a revision of your memorandum on the same subject which you addressed to me on 19 October. We discovered a few costs which had not been reflected in your proposal and in attempting to introduce this new information we found it advantageous to separate the discussion of costs from the discussion of the bibliographic and retrieval systems themselves. It seems to us that the resource implications of the several options are easier to following using this format. In melding our costs with yours we may have not eliminated overlaps and we suggest a careful review of para. 5. and the attached table of costs. Note too the need for a specific estimate of maintenance costs in para 5.d.

2. Another change has been the introduction of a third option (para 3.c.) for Community access to bibliographic information. As noted, this third option is a mixture of the off-line and on-line options contained in your proposal.

3. Unlike the attachments to the original paper, which added ADSTAR costs to the costs of the bibliographic options, the table attached to this draft covers only the bibliographic options. The costs of expanding ADSTAR are covered in the paragraphs on that system but, because of uncertainty surrounding the costs of expanding ADSTAR, tabular presentation of this information seemed to serve little purpose.

4. Perhaps we can discuss the modified proposal at our monthly meeting now scheduled to be held at 4:00 on 11 December.



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